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The settlement is acceptable but the disturbing aspect is the manner in which the United States government goes after organizations that have built successful ventures. The aparent reason is to level the field and give everyone an equal opportunity. When considering the willingness to devote lives to ventures that others will not do or have the inability to accomplish meaningful goals the result gives the appearance of a disincentive. Microsoft gave an opportunity to IBM and was rejected so they went their own way. Now a settlement has been developed which is already out of date because of the Microsoft competitors moving forward with their own agendas and developments. We are creating a system where the success of some is penalized because others have not the same ability or desire to advance their own programs. The public has always had the ability to purchase other equipment and chose not to. I own no Microsoft stock nor know anyone in the organization. However I am concerned with the system in place to destroy success which had it been in place years ago would have prevented the United States from being the most successful and inovative nation in the world. Socialism has failed.